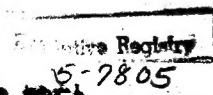


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Dear Arthur:

I gratefully acknowledge another box of my favorite brand which arrived on my desk this morning. The cigars will make the pressure of my work somewhat easier as we look forward to a bit of vacation in Europe, probably next month.

Faithfully,

SIGNED

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

The Honorable Arthur Gardner  
American Ambassador  
Havana, Cuba

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